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The Security Council,

Reaffirming resolution 1542 (2004) of 30 April 2004 and recalling resolution 1529 (2004) of 29 February 2004 and relevant statements by its President on the situation in Haiti,

Commending the work of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General (SRSG) in support of the efforts of the Transitional Government of Haiti and all political actors in Haiti towards a comprehensive and inclusive national dialogue and reconciliation process, including the holding of fair and free elections in 2005 and the subsequent transfer of power to elected authorities,

Underlining that political reconciliation and economic reconstruction efforts remain key to the stability and security of Haiti, and, in that regard, *stressing* that all Member States, especially those in the region, should continue to support the Transitional Government in those efforts,

Urging the Transitional Government to continue to make progress in the implementation of the Interim Cooperation Framework (ICF), including by developing concrete projects for economic development, in close cooperation with, and with the full assistance of, the international community, in particular the United Nations and international financial institutions,

Welcoming the establishment of the Core Group on Haiti and the ECOSOC Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti,

Condemning all acts of violence and the attempts by some armed groups to perform unauthorized law enforcement functions in the country,

Stressing, in that context, the urgency of conducting Disarmament, Demobilization and Reintegration (DDR) programmes, and urging the Transitional Government to establish, without delay, the National Commission on DDR,

Condemning also all violations of human rights and urging the Transitional Government of Haiti to take all necessary measures to put an end to impunity,

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Concerned by any arbitrary detention of people solely for their political affiliation, *calling on* the Transitional Government to release those against whom no charges have been brought,

Calling also on the international community to continue to address, in full support of the Transitional Government, the humanitarian needs caused by natural disasters in various parts of the country,

Welcoming the contribution made by Member States to the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH), and *urging* troop and police-contributing countries to abide by the deployment schedules agreed, and noting in particular the need for more French-speaking police officers,

Noting the continuing existence of challenges to the political, social and economic stability of Haiti and determining that the situation in Haiti continues to constitute a threat to international peace and security in the region,

Acting under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations, as described in section 1 of operative paragraph 7 of resolution 1542 (2004),

1. *Decides* to extend the mandate of MINUSTAH, as contained in resolution 1542 (2004), until 1 June 2005, with the intention to renew for further periods;

2. *Encourages* the Transitional Government to continue to explore actively all possible ways to include in the democratic and electoral process those who currently remain outside the transition process but have rejected violence;

3. *Welcomes* the report of the Secretary-General of 18 November 2004 (S/2004/908) on the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH) and endorses the Secretary-General's recommendations as outlined in paragraphs 52 to 57;

4. *Urges* relevant international financial institutions and donor countries to disburse promptly the funds pledged at the International Donors Conference on Haiti held in Washington, D.C. on 19 and 20 July 2004;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide a report to the Council on the implementation by MINUSTAH of its mandate at least every three months;

6. *Decides* to remain seized of the matter.